

A meeting of the **Troy Youth Council (TYC)** was held on Wednesday, September 25, 2002, at City Hall in the Lower Level Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Emily Burns
Allister Chang (arrived 7:06)
Ryan Chandonnet
Chris Cheng (arrived 7:35)
Min Chong
Juliana D'Amico (co-secretary)
Raymond Deng
Monika Govindaraj
Eric Gregory
Omar Hakim (co-chair)
Catherine Herzog
Maniesh Joshi
Andrew Kalinowski
Christina Krokosky
Matthew Michrina
Brian Rider (co-chair)
Manessa Shaw
YuJing Wang (co-secretary; arr.7:05)
Fred Wong

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Vennettilli

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Fitzpatrick, Assistant to the City Manager

VISITORS: Mayor Matt Pryor
Annette Kingsbury, Troy Eccentric Reporter

1. Roll Call

2. Minutes

Resolution # 02-03

Moved by Wong

Seconded by Krokosky

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the July 10, 2002 meeting be approved.

Yeas: All – 19

No: None

Absent: Vennettilli

3. General Info:

- a. Personalized portfolios displaying the City of Troy logo were distributed
- b. Updated meeting schedules were distributed, including extra copies for members' parents
- c. Next Meeting: Oct 23rd @ City Hall; Nov & Dec Meetings on 3rd Wednesday @ Community Center

4. Visitor: Annette Kingsbury, Reporter from the Troy Eccentric

Annette introduced the idea of having a youth editorial board for the purpose of getting input on stories. A sign-up sheet was passed around. This board would function separately from the TYC; however it was agreed that TYC meetings may be a good place to get such input providing there is time on the agenda. Since there was time permitting, Annette also solicited input from the Youth Council regarding topics of interest to the Youth of Troy.

5. Discussion of Library Internet Policy: Topic Submitted by Fred Wong

Members reviewed the City Policy and the State Policy
Wong clarified that the main issue of concern is that there currently is no way of saving research information electronically (on the "Under Age 18" computers).

Update from Fitzpatrick: More Microsoft Word licenses are being purchased in two months and at that time there will be functioning disk drives so that information can be downloaded to disk. Fitzpatrick will advise when this occurs.

6. Topics for Joint Meeting with Teen Recreation Committee(s):

Skate Park : Fitzpatrick provided an update. Per City Council's request, staff is currently gathering information re: 1) funding of such parks in other communities; and 2) the option of constructing a temporary skate park.

Community Center: Memberships were discussed. One of the nineteen members present has a membership. A couple others (their families) had considered memberships, but decided against it. Lifetime Fitness was cited as having a much better facility. The members stated that there are no lines for equipment at Lifetime because Lifetime has much more equipment. The members realize that Lifetime, being a private enterprise, costs much more than the Community Center.

Mayor Pryor thanked the members for their involvement in the Youth Council. He also stated that he wanted to get their input on the Community Center issues of hours of operation (so youth can hang out there on Friday or Saturday nights) and the teen room.

Later in the meeting, one member added re: extended hours on Friday and Saturday nights, that realistically teenagers are not going to want to hang out at the Community Center on Friday and Saturday nights. There was general agreement with this statement among the members.

October 23 Meeting Topics:

1. Rules & Bylaws: review proposed
2. Flyer: review proposed
3. Logo Ideas
4. Parliamentary Procedure: discuss handout that was distributed on 9/25/01

The next meeting October 23, 2002 from 7 – 8:30PM. at the Troy City Hall in the *Lower Level Conference Room*.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Laura Fitzpatrick, Assistant to the City Manager